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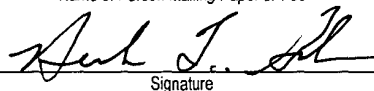
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Re: New U.S. Utility Patent Application Transmittal  
For: IMAGE-TAKING APPARATUS, AND CAMERA AND CAMERA  
SYSTEM INCORPORATING IT  
By: Keiji MATSUSAKA  
Attorney Docket: 15162/06170

Dear Sir:

This Utility Patent Application Transmittal is submitted in connection with IMAGE-TAKING APPARATUS, AND CAMERA AND CAMERA SYSTEM INCORPORATING IT, by Keiji MATSUSAKA, inventor.

Enclosed herewith are the following:

**APPLICATION ELEMENTS:**

- (1) A duplicate copy of this Transmittal Letter (containing a breakdown of amount of fees due and deposit account authorization);
- (2) Specification (64 pages, including 25 claims and an abstract);
- (3) Formal Drawings (24 sheets) (Figs. 1-24); and
- (4) Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney (6 pages).

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**ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS:**

- (5) Information Disclosure Statement (3 pages);
- (6) PTO-1449 Form (1 page);
- (7) Copies of three (3) references cited in the Information Disclosure Statement;
- (8) Submission of Certified Copy of Priority Document (2 pages) transmitting a certified copy of Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-175264 (68 pages);
- (9) Assignment (2 pages) of the invention to MINOLTA CO., LTD., with attached Recordation Form Cover Sheet (1 page) (in duplicate); and
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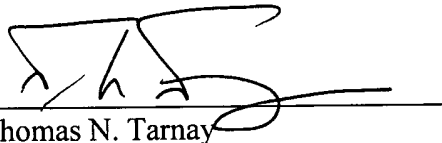
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